



COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JUNE 21, 2015

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Fieldwork progressed rapidly last week as conditions were ideal for accessibility. Crop development was spurred by an abundance of heat while condition ratings of most crops improved or held steady. Reporter comments indicate persisting fungal infections and drainage issues remain in several wheat fields throughout the northeastern district. Precipitation occurred in isolated fashion with the heaviest amounts concentrated in El Paso, Elbert, Teller, and Las Animas counties. Stored feed supplies were rated 2 percent very short, 5 percent short, 82 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus. Sheep death loss was rated 63 percent average and 37 percent light. Cattle death loss was rated 1 percent heavy, 75 percent average, and 24 percent light.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting.....	59	28	69	74
Barley				
Headed	25	12	18	34
Turning Color	1	--	--	1
Corn				
Emerged	96	89	100	99
Dry Beans				
Planted	63	49	92	91
Emerged	46	26	60	62
Potatoes				
Inside San Luis Valley				
Emerged	84	61	93	88
Sorghum				
Planted	91	62	74	84
Emerged	69	30	40	40
Spring wheat				
Headed	45	25	32	37
Sunflowers				
Planted	59	26	73	74
Winter wheat				
Turning color	72	38	48	53
Mature.....	11	2	--	18

NA – not available
(--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.1	4.8	5.9	6.4
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	1	1	15	24
Short.....	9	9	32	30
Adequate	80	75	50	45
Surplus	10	15	3	1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	2	3	24	27
Short.....	15	14	28	28
Adequate	77	75	47	44
Surplus	6	8	1	1

NA – not available
(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa				
Very poor	--	--	3	6
Poor.....	6	6	7	10
Fair.....	35	36	26	28
Good	47	46	48	46
Excellent	12	12	16	10
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	2	1
Poor.....	--	--	2	2
Fair.....	18	18	16	35
Good	61	60	53	50
Excellent	21	22	27	12
Corn				
Very poor	--	--	--	4
Poor.....	1	2	2	5
Fair.....	28	33	26	24
Good	60	61	47	55
Excellent	11	4	25	12
Livestock				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	2	4
Fair.....	12	13	23	23
Good	73	70	63	65
Excellent	14	16	12	7
Onions				
Very poor	3	3	--	1
Poor.....	9	10	1	4
Fair.....	20	21	14	15
Good	52	53	75	68
Excellent	16	13	10	12
Pasture and Range				
Very poor	1	2	11	17
Poor.....	14	14	21	25
Fair.....	24	23	27	25
Good	46	45	36	29
Excellent	15	16	5	4
Potatoes Inside San Luis Valley				
Very poor	--	NA	3	NA
Poor.....	--	NA	7	NA
Fair.....	45	NA	39	NA
Good	55	NA	39	NA
Excellent	--	NA	12	NA
Potatoes Outside San Luis Valley				
Very poor	--	--	--	NA
Poor.....	1	1	--	NA
Fair.....	6	7	26	NA
Good	77	76	61	NA
Excellent	16	16	13	NA
Sorghum				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	--	11
Fair.....	15	13	73	42
Good	81	83	27	43
Excellent	4	4	--	2
Spring Wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	--	--	2	5
Fair.....	38	38	33	40
Good	57	57	64	48
Excellent	5	5	1	5
Sugarbeets				
Very poor	--	--	1	--
Poor.....	1	1	4	4
Fair.....	13	16	20	23
Good	63	61	57	61
Excellent	23	22	18	12
Sunflowers				
Very poor	--	NA	NA	NA
Poor.....	--	NA	NA	NA
Fair.....	9	NA	NA	NA
Good	34	NA	NA	NA
Excellent	57	NA	NA	NA
Winter Wheat				
Very poor	2	2	26	18
Poor.....	16	15	13	17
Fair.....	30	31	25	28
Good	41	39	29	32
Excellent	11	13	7	5

NA – not available

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